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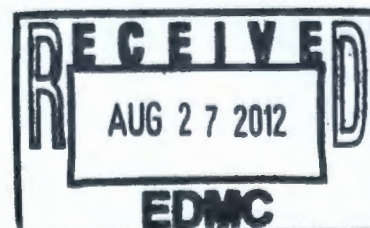
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**COMPLETION OF HANFORD FEDERAL FACILITY AND CONSENT ORDER
(TRI-PARTY AGREEMENT) MILESTONE M-016-120**

This letter is to notify the State of Washington Department of Ecology and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) of the completion of Tri-Party Agreement Milestone M-016-120, "DOE will have a groundwater treatment system for the Technetium-99 plume at the S/SX Tank Farm within the 200-UP-1 Operable Unit. This milestone will be met by utilizing treatment capacity at the new 200 West Pump and Treat Facility."

The U.S. Department of Energy Richland Operations Office and EPA agreed that Tri-Party Agreement Milestone **M-016-120** would be met by initiating groundwater flow through the S/SX Extraction System to the 200 West Treatment Facility during the Project Managers' Meeting on June 21, 2012. On August 13, 2012, pumping and treatment of the S/SX groundwater was initiated meeting Tri-Party Agreement Milestone M-016-120.

Naomi Bland and John Morse of my staff were present at the facility on August 13, 2012, to observe treatment startup.



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If you have any questions, please contact me or your staff may contact Briant Charboneau, of my staff, on (509) 373-6137.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Dowell" with a stylized flourish at the end.

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